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SUBJECT: SINGAPORE PARTICIPATION AT ISRAEL LABOR PARTY CONGRESS

REF: (A) TELE AVIV 0453, (B) TEL AVIV 0575

1. EMBASSY SURPRISED BY INDICATION IN REF A THAT PRIME MINISTER LEE KUAN YEW EXPECTED TO ATTEND ISRAELI LABOR PARTY CONGRESS. CONSIDERING PUBLIC PRO-ARAB STANCE OF GOS IN RECENT YEARS, MANIFESTED LARGELY THROUGH SELECTIVE SUPPORT FOR ARAB-SPONSORED OR ENDORSED RESOLUTIONS ON ISRAEL AND MIDDLE EAST IN U.N., LEE'S ATTENDANCE AT ISRAELI MEETING WOULD SIGNIFY DISTINCT REVERSAL OF GOS POLICY. IN FACT, PEOPLE'S ACTION PARTY (PAP) WILL NOT BE REPRESENTED AT ISRAELI LABOR PARTY CONGRESS. THIS WAS CONFIRMED TO US BY TWO MFA OFFICERS WHO FELT VERY SURE OF THEIR GROUND ALTHOUGH ONE ADMITTED THAT MFA NOT NORMALLY CONSULTED ON OR INVOLVED IN PAP AFFAIRS. SAME SOURCE INDICATED THAT PAP AS A RULE DOES NOT ATTEND FUNCTIONS OF OTHER "SOCIALIST" PARTIES.

2. HOWEVER, WE DO NOT THINK IT WOULD BE AT ALL SURPRISING IF SINGAPORE'S LEADING TRADE UNION LEADER, DEVAN NAIR, ATTENDED THE HISTADRUT-SPONSORED INTERNATIONAL TRADE
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UNION SYMPOSIUM (SEE REF B). NAIR, WHO WILL REPRESENT SINGAPORE AND NOT MALAYSIA AS INDICATED PARA 2 REF B, IS CURRENTLY SECRETARY-GENERAL OF THE SINGAPORE NATIONAL TRADES UNION CONGRESS AND CHAIRMAN OF THE ASIAN REGIONAL ORGANIZATION. SINCE THIS SYMPOSIUM IS FOR TRADE UNIONISTS, NO POLITICAL SIGNIFICANCE WOULD BE ATTACHED TO NAIR'S ATTENDANCE.

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